RECOUNTS EFFORTS FOR HOSPITAL SITE

Henry B. F. Macfarland Tells of Work of the Last Ten Years.

\$65,000 SPENT IN BUYING **GEORGIA AVENUE LAND**

Five Sets of Plans Were Selected After Competition by Most Eminent Architects.

Discussing the efforts to bring about the removal of Washington Asylum Hospital from its present location and the relocation of the institution on the tract bought for that purpose in the extreme northwest section of the District, Henry B. F. Macfarland, one of the Commissioners of the District of Columbia from 1900 to 1910, outlined the various steps that have been taken, beginning in 1900 and not yet brought to accomplishment. Mr. Macfarland

"Before I went into the official serv ice of the District, in May, 1900, I was just as actively engaged in its unofficial service, and as a member of the committee on charities of the Board of Trade earnestly advocated the creation of a board of charities and the reform of all our public charitable institutions, including the improvement of the Washington Asylum Hospital, by taking it away from the jail and workhouse and converting it into a moder municipal hospital.

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"The board of charities was established by Congress, and its members, whom I recommended to President Mc-Kinley, were appointed by him and began their work July 1, 1900. After a year's study they united with the Dis-

year's study they united with the District Commissioners in recommending the removal of the municipal hospital and provision for modern equipment. We then asked and obtained from Congress an appropriation of \$100,000 for the site and bought for \$67,000 the thirty-five acres on Georgia avenue and set it apart for that purpose.

"It is sufficiently large to provide for expansion for many years to come and to prevent any annoyance to the people who have since settled in that neighborhood. We then obtained from Congress \$5,000 to procure plans for the municipal hospital on the new site. I personally presented the arguments for both these appropriations to the apmunicipal hospital on the new site. I personally presented the arguments for both these appropriations to the appropriations committees. With the five-thousand-dollar appropriation we held a fine competition for plans, won by the firm of Frank Miles Day of Philadelphia, afterward president of the American Institute of Architects. In 1902 I presented the arguments before both appropriations committees for the adoption of the fine plan and the necessary appropriation. They met with favor from Senator McMillan, then chairman of the Senate District committee, Senator Gallinger and others, but were opposed by persons interested in private hospitals, who mistakenly thought that the project would interfere with the prosperity of their hospitals. This opposition prevented the adoption of the plan and the appropriation of the money. Subsequently we were able, however, to get an appropriation of \$100,000 for the tuberculosis ward of the proposed municipal hospital, and with it constructed what is commonly called the Tuberculosis Hospital, on the municipal hospital, in. with it constructed what is commonly called the Tuberculosts Hospital, on the municipal hospital size.

Never Had Popular Support.

"Until I resigned from the District service, in January, 1910, I advocated session after session before the appropriations committees the removal of the municipal hospital from the Washington Asylum Hospital site to the Georgia avenue site, the adoption of the comprehensive plan for its construction and development through years to come and the initial appropriation for the purpose. In this the Commissioners and board of charities never had the general popular support which the project deserved, and did have the opposition of those who thought their hospital interests would be adversely affected. Senators and representatives of the District and appropriations committees, whom we took to see the Washington Asylum Hospital. uniformly condemned it in strongest terms, and those whom we took to see the Georgia avenue site, and to whom we explained the plans individually, heartily approved the undertaking, but for the reasons given nothing further has been done.

"Naturally, I am greatly gratified to see the new interest in the matter on the part of the Monday Evening Club and others, and trust that it may bring about the result for which we have worked so hard for more than fifteen years. I trust that the plan adopted will be that which the Commissioners obtained from Frank Miles Day, with any modifications which experience suggests, for at the time it was regarded by all the experts of the country as the best hospital plan that had been devised, based as it was upon a special study of all the hospital constructions of the country and in Europe. Provision should be made not simply for the present, but for years to come, in orderly and comprehensive way." propriations committees the removal of the municipal hospital from the Wash-

FINDS NEW INDIAN CLAN; ONCE MANY; NINE LEFT

Amazon Expedition's Head Believe Grip Was Fatal-Another Tribe Like Egyptians.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., April 20.-Nine survivors of a once numerous tribe of Indians hitherto unknown to white men have been found by Dr. William C. Farabee, leader of the University Museum's Amazon expedition. A letter from Dr. Farabee, dated March 16, telling of this and other discoveries, was made public today by the museum officials.

ficials.

An epidemic of grip, Dr. Farabee believes, was responsible for the tribe's destruction. The Indians were the Pikipitanges, a name heretofore unknown to ethnology. No one could be found to speak their language, but Dr. Farabee succeeded in making a vocabulary of 170 words, which he will find in the hope of finding out to what general branch of the Indians this remant belongs.

The survivors are a chief, six women and two bays. They were in utter destitution when the museum's explorers found them.

Another discovery of the expedition was the remaints of an uncatalogued tribe of Indians on the Amazon. In the upper reaches of the Maraca river, Dr. Farabee reported, there once lived a tribe with the peculiar characteristic of burying their dead in urns of pottery, made to receive the bodies in a sitting posture. Poor people, he reports, had plain urns, but the richer were buried 'in urns fashioned to resemble a man, with an effort at portraiture of the Egyptians."

traiture of the face, something after the manner of the Egyptians."

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